GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2123
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CONSTRUCTION AROUND PROTECTED MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware about the construction being carried around the protected monuments in Orissa; and

(b) if so, the corrective steps taken by Archaeological Survey of India(ASI) in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE(SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the provisions of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and Rules1959, notices have been issued to the encroachers to remove the unauthorized constructions and the respective District Collectors have been asked to demolish them.

As a preventive measure the archaeological area around the protected monuments are being fenced.